THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir. The Second General Conference of Information Ministers of Non-aligned Countries was held at Harare (Zimbabwe) i from 10th to 12th June, 1987.

(b) At the Conference India proposed *inter alia* the following:

(i) Continued availability of the facilities at Indian Institute of Mass Communication (IIMC), New Delhi and film & Television Institute of India (FTII), Pune for training of media personnel of non-aligned countries.

(ii) Support to UNESCO and its International Programme for the Development of Communication (IPDC).

(iii) Evolving of a suitable mechanism by the Non-aligned News Agencies Pool (NANAP) for exchange of impact reports on the pool service.

(iv) Re-activating the Broadcasting Organisations of Non-aligned Countries (BONAC).

(v) Providing support to the News Agencies of the Frontline States in Southern Africa and to the South West African Peoples' Organisation (SWAPO) and the African National Congress (ANC). (c) (i) In respect of b(i) above before the commencement of the courses at the two institutions i.e. IIMC and FTII, the Non-aligned Countries Governments are informed through Indian Missions about admission procedures for nominees *to* the courses.

(ii) As regards the remaining items of (b) above, suitable action programmes are evolved by the members of the movement by mutual consultation through various forums like IGC, NANAP, BONAC etc. over a period of time as their implementation is a continuous process.

Assistance to be given by the Aid India Consortium

620. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE; SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

SHRI T. CHANDRASEKHAR REDDY;

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Aid India Consor tium at its meeting held in Paris on June 22-23, decided upon the quan tum of assistance to be given to India during 1987 and 1988;

(b) if so, the details of the decisions taken in this regard; and

(c) the extent to which the aid decided upon falls short of India's expectations?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI NARAYAN DATT TIWARI); (a) to (c) The total aid pledges indicated at the Aid India Consortium for the fiscal year 1987-88 were of the order of US $ 5.4 billion. The outcome was successful from India's point °f view.

I.T. Raids on a Mining Company

621. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: SHRI CHANDRIKA PRASAD TRIPATHI;

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in come tax authorities have seized cash, jewellery and other valuables to the tune of crores of rupees following raid on a company involved in mining and processing of stones of marbles in different places in the country recently; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI):